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EXPECT TEUTONS TO STRIKE AT SALONIKI

Before the British and French Forces There Become Too Strongly Reinforced

GERMANY IS NOW NEGOTIATING WITH GREECE

Italians Have Sent Troops Across the Adriatic Sea to Aid the Serbians and Montenegrins—Will Make Precarious the Right Flank of the Central Powers—Reports That the Germans Are Preparing for an Offensive in the West Persist, But Thus Far Only Artillery Engagements and Aerial Flights and Raids Have Developed.

London, Dec. 16, 10.15 p. m.—There is a more hopeful feeling in London with regard to the Balkan operations now that it is definitely announced that the Italians have effected a landing on the Albanian coast and that the Anglo-French forces which have fallen back towards Saloniki, have been strongly reinforced with men and guns, including some heavy naval weapons.

It is not stated how large a force the Italians will send to the assistance of the Serbians and Montenegrins, but from the fact that the official account intimates that the landing has been made from more than one port, it is taken for granted that an army of considerable proportions is to be sent across the Adriatic. This, with the Montenegrins and Serbians who escaped into Albania will be a serious threat to the central powers' right flank, while they can never look in idleness on the concentration of an army at Saloniki, which at a chosen moment, will undertake an offensive, and on the gathering of Russians in Bessarabia.

Germans to Strike at Saloniki. It is anticipated, therefore, that the Germans will strike at Saloniki before the Anglo-French forces grow too strong and it is believed that with that end in view they are negotiating with the Greek government. If their plans include the participation of the Bulgarians in the attack, they are likely to meet with opposition from Greece as well as from the Anglo-French forces crossing the frontier. This applies also to some extent to the Austrians, whose ambitions always have been directed to the Aegean, preferably Saloniki. On the whole, therefore, it is thought here that the Greeks might prefer to see the entente remain there at the end of the war. In fact, Lord Robert Cecil, under-secretary of foreign affairs, said in the house of commons today that the Anglo-French plan was to keep the central powers from that city in accordance with the wishes of Greece.

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DU PONT DETECTIVES ARREST FORMER EMPLOYEE. John Szodoba, Who Has Been Acting in a Suspicious Manner. Salem, N. J., Dec. 15.—Detectives of the Du Pont Powder company today arrested John Szodoba, alias Dr. Jacob Swoboda, alias Louis Hartman, a former employee of the powder company, who, according to the company and Salem officials, has recently been acting in a suspicious manner and who, they believe, knows more about the recent explosions at the Du Pont plants than he will admit. The charge lodged against Szodoba was the larceny of goods valued at about \$3, but Magistrate Harris D. Smith, who held the prisoner under \$1,000 bail for a further hearing, declared tonight that he considered the arrest "a very important one."

Szodoba was taken into custody at his boarding house at Penn Grove, where he is located one of the Du Pont largest plants. In his room the officials say they found a large quantity of gunpowder, both raw and treated, nitroglycerine, dynamite, black powder of the finest quality, and a number of letters written in French and German. The explosives, the prisoner told Magistrate Smith, had been left in his room by fellow boarders. The letters are now being translated, but their contents will not be made known until tomorrow.

Szodoba admitted, according to the officials, that he had served four years in Sing Sing prison for grand larceny in Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1910.

Cabled Paragraphs

Winston Churchill Had Narrow Escape. London, Dec. 16, 10.40 p. m.—Winston Spencer Churchill, who resigned his portfolio of chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in order to join his regiment at the front, had a narrow escape from a German submarine today. The German submarine K-8 ran aground in Pearl Harbor, Honolulu.

SUFFRAGE DEBATED BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES. Proponents and Opponents Are Given Hearing by Senate and House Committees.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Woman suffrage advocates and opponents debated the proposed federal suffrage amendment today before congressional committees. Representatives of the National Woman Suffrage association, the Congressional union and the National Association Opposed to Suffrage were given a hearing by the judiciary committee of the house and the Congressional union delegates also appeared before the senate committee on suffrage.

The house committee sat virtually throughout the day, listening first to the National association speakers, then to Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, their president, then to those of the Congressional union, led by Miss Alice Paul, and finally to the anti-suffragists with their president, Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge.

Members of both committees questioned spokesmen of the Congressional union closely as to their reasons for campaigning in the last election against democratic candidates for reelection to the house who had supported the suffrage amendment.

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Boy-Ed Issues an Official Statement in a Pistol Duel

BRANDS NEWSPAPER REPORTS IN WOODS IN SUBURBS OF PORTLAND, ME.

NEVER STOLE REPORT OUTLAWS CAPTURED

Declares He Had Never Heard of Report Which He is Charged With Having Obtained Through Secret Agents.

New York, Dec. 16.—Captain Boy-Ed, the German naval attaché, issued an official statement late today, branding as "fabrications and inventions" reports appearing in the newspapers today that he had obtained through secret agents, a confidential report prepared by American naval officers, which was to be submitted to the president.

"Not only did he not obtain the report in any way, Captain Boy-Ed states, but he never heard of such a report."

Fabrications and Inventions. "Because of my official relation to the German embassy," says the statement, "I have heretofore felt constrained to suffer generally in silence the many untrue reports which have been made in this country as to my activities in this country as it is contrary to diplomatic etiquette in my country to take note of irresponsible and unofficial statements. Being now no longer a member of the embassy, I feel at liberty to characterize the various stories in this morning's papers as fabrications and inventions from beginning to end, without so much as a festive of foundation in fact on which to base them."

Never Stole Report. "If I correctly understand the purpose of these articles they represent me as having in effect stolen through secret agents from the ver shadow of the White House a digest or a copy of a confidential report that was being prepared by navy officers for President Wilson or of having in some way secured access into possession of some such report."

"Patriotic American" is Mythical. "In point of fact I never heard of any such report or that any report was being compiled for the president or for the United States government or for anybody else. I know of no American, patriotic or otherwise, young or old, such as is referred to in these articles and have never had any American citizen employed in my office. The patriotic young American referred to is as mythical as the rest of the abominable concoction."

Republican Gathering at Bridgeport Last Night. At a Testimonial Dinner to John T. King—More Than 1,000 Present.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 16.—Republicans from all parts of Connecticut gathered here tonight at a testimonial dinner to John T. King, one of the leaders of the party in the state. Lieutenant Governor Clifford B. Wilson presided. The testimonial dinner was given by the Republican central committee. More than 1,000 persons were present.

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Condensed Telegrams

The cholera epidemic in Austria-Hungary is dying out.

France has decided to recognize the Carranza government of Mexico.

King Constantine of Greece is suffering from a mild attack of influenza.

The United States submarine K-8 ran aground in Pearl Harbor, Honolulu.

Twelve fatalities were reported in the main hunting season which just closed.

Subscriptions to London's portion of the French loan are estimated at \$150,000.

Pope Benedict intends to consecrate the year in which peace is concluded as Holy Year.

Congested railroad conditions at Pittsburgh are sending the price of coke upward.

Bulgaria will ask for a credit of \$5,000,000 when its parliament convenes on Dec. 25.

Vice-President Marshall, who just returned from Washington, called on President Wilson.

Americans who remained in Montenegro after the Serbian occupation are all reported safe.

John E. Gore, former Sunday editor of the St. Louis Dispatch, died at his home in St. Louis.

Representative Tamm of Illinois made the first presidential speech of the session in the House.

Fire destroyed the Northern Navigation Co's steamship Majestic at her dock at Port Huron, Mich.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels addressed the Southern Commercial Congress at Charleston, S. C.

Luis Cabrera, minister of finance of the Carranza government in Mexico, arrived in New York from Spain.

Seven Argentine delegates to the Pan-American Scientific Congress, December 27, arrived in Washington.

By the will of Chas. E. Rhinelander, Rhinelander Waldo, his nephew and former New York Police Commissioner, receives a life interest in \$600,000.

Enoch Wood Perry, former United States consul at Venice, and well known artist, died in a New York hospital.

Last week's expenditures by Great Britain amounted to \$7,600,000 pounds. The revenue amounted to \$5,600,000 pounds.

An order for five locomotives was received by the Lima Locomotive Co. from the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad.

Advices from Washington state that President Wilson will reappoint C. C. McClure to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

John T. Wray has been appointed assistant secretary of the Pennsylvania railroad with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga.

Mediators failed to settle the strike of street car men at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. The strike has been going on for three months.

Many persons had narrow escapes when fire caused damage of \$200,000 to the factory of the Boyden Shoe Co. at Newark, N. J.

Preliminary reports of Department of Justice agents investigating the fire at Howell, N. Y., say that the fire was not incendiary.

The contest over the appointment of a postmaster at Brooklyn was lost before President Wilson by Postmaster-General Burleson.

Two Belgian towns were fined 10-20 marks each because they failed to deliver carrier pigeons required by the German government.

Application to organize the Progressive National Bank of New York, capital \$250,000, was made to the controller of the currency.

Three packing companies, Swift & Co., Armour & Co. and Healy & Co., have agreed to pay \$40,000 penalties for infringement of Texas anti-trust laws.

The body of an unidentified man locked in a trunk buried in quicklime was discovered by workmen tearing down a house on Kensington Avenue, Philadelphia.

Cargoes of Austrian and German goods, whose shipment to the United States has been held up by England, are being released at the rate of eight or ten a day.

Mrs. Margaret Upson, widow of Theron Upson former state insurance commissioner, died at her home in New Haven last night aged 72. She leaves three sisters.

Dr. Robert Barony, Nobel prize winner for research in connection with the human ear, is a Russian prisoner of war. He was captured at Przemyśl, Poland, his nephew, and

The question of ending Villa opposition to the Carranza de facto government is before a council of war now in progress at Chihuahua at which Villa and his staff are in attendance.

Williams defeated Amherst in the annual triangular debate at Williams town, Mass., by a 2 to 1 decision of the judges. The winners upheld the affirmative of the prohibition resolution.

Amherst defeated Williams in a unanimous decision over Wesleyan Thursday night in the annual triangular contest. Amherst upheld the affirmative of the resolution urging national prohibition.

Movements of Steamships. Liverpool, Dec. 16.—Arrived: Steamer Orforda, New York via Halifax.

London, Dec. 16.—Sailed: Steamer Patria, New York.

Texas, Dec. 16.—Sailed: Steamer Roma (from New York and Providence).

Christiana, Dec. 16.—Arrived: Steamer Helga, New York.

London, Dec. 16.—Arrived: Steamer Finland, New York.

New York, Dec. 16.—Arrived: Steamer Minnesota, London.

President Gets Marriage License

CEREMONY AT HOUSE OF MRS. GALT SATURDAY NIGHT

GROOM 59, BRIDE 43

Invitations Confined to Relatives—Have Planned to Avoid Publicity—Honeymoon to be Spent in the South.

Washington, Dec. 16.—President Wilson's marriage license was issued today at the local municipal bureau. It disclosed for the first time that the ceremony Saturday night will be performed by a clergyman of Mrs. Galt's faith, the Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, pastor of St. Margaret's Episcopal church. The president is a Presbyterian and an elder in his church.

Groom 59, Bride 43. The license was issued to Chief Usher Hoover of the White House staff who went to the bureau, made out the necessary form and paid the regular fee. Afterwards he delivered the document to the president. In the application the president's age was given as 59 years and Mrs. Galt's as 43.

Ceremony at Mrs. Galt's House. The wedding ceremony will be performed at Mrs. Galt's home Saturday night, probably about 9 o'clock, although the hour has not been agreed upon. In keeping with the desire of the couple to have the affair strictly private, it has not been disclosed where the bride and groom will go on their honeymoon. It is expected that they will leave for the capital.

Plans to Avoid Publicity. Their plans have been carefully made to avoid publicity. The general impression among friends, however, is that the honeymoon will be spent somewhere in the north. Miss Christina, Miss, where the president had spent some of his vacation time, has been among the likely places mentioned. It is expected that the wedding journey will not be made on the presidential yacht Mayflower, as was once contemplated. It was decided that, as a trip would entail a cold sea voyage of at least two days before the ship would get into pleasant weather south. The officers and crew of the yacht, who had been refused shore leave for Christmas time, now have been given liberty.

Bride's Trousseau Unknown. Probably no one outside the immediate members of the wedding party knows much about the arrangements of the bride's trousseau or the gifts she has received. No formal announcement of the latter is expected until sometime after the wedding. It is known that while there has been no organized sending of gifts to the president, individuals in all parts of the capital have sent presents. Many of the are said to be rare and valuable. The bride's trousseau, however, not only from official and personal friends of the president and Mrs. Galt, but also from persons unknown to each other, is being sent to the capital. Many have come from children.

Only Relatives Invited. The list of guests has not been enlarged and as was announced, will include only the immediate relatives of the president and Mrs. Galt, as well as a few intimates. The list has not gone far enough outside the family circle to include the president's close and intimate friend, Colonel E. M. House of New York. He said also that the president will be unattended by a best man.

NO SHIPMENTS FROM U. S. TO GERMANY. Postal Service to Germany Was Discontinued a Month Ago.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Postoffice department officials foresee no seizure of parcels sent to Germany by mail because, they said today, no such shipments are going out of Germany from the United States.

Parcel post service to Germany was discontinued a month ago when the Holland-America line refused to accept parcels sent to Germany. The "steers" referred to in Sir Robert Cecil's statement in the house of commons today might have had something to do with the decision.

The Holland-America line offered no explanation at the time and as arrangements for continuing the service to Germany were made through the Dutch government, no explanation was asked. No parcel post packages for Germany had been intercepted with by the allies, though much food had been shipped. Officials point out that if there had been such interception nothing could have been done about it, since parcel post shipments are not covered by the international postal convention.

NEW YEAR'S SHIP LOADS OF FOODSTUFFS FOR BELGIUM. One to Carry Foodstuffs and Clothing Given by People of Connecticut.

New York, Dec. 15.—The assembling of two New Year's ship loads of foodstuffs for Belgium was announced today by the committee in Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania. The second ship will carry foodstuffs and clothing given by the people of Connecticut. It is expected that the ships will sail about January 1.

TRUST FUNDS OF \$2,000 EACH FOR PARROT AND DOG. Established Under Will of Mrs. William T. Purdy, Who Died Dec. 10.

New York, Dec. 15.—Two trust funds of \$2,000 each are established under the will of Mrs. William T. Purdy, a wealthy widow, who died Dec. 10 at her home in this city, for the care of her parrot "Jolly" and her dog "Hop Sing." The beneficiaries under the trust are directed to make ample provision for the comfort of the pets. The remainder of Mrs. Purdy's large estate is divided among relatives.

VALUABLE JEWELRY FOUND UNDER WAGON IN NEW YORK. Finder Did Not Know Its Worth, Which is Several Thousand Dollars.

New York, Dec. 16.—Jewelry valued at several thousand dollars found by a "midnight man" under a wagon at Broadway and Forty-second Street several days ago was recovered tonight when the police came upon the man's wife offering a diamond encrusted watch in a pawnshop for \$2. The woman said the watch was only one of a large number of pieces of jewelry her husband had found. The police then located the husband plying up and down Broadway with a heavy sign over his shoulder. He said neither he nor his wife knew the value of the gems he had picked up. There was nothing about the jewels to indicate who owned them.

STEAMER COMMUNIAW IS NOW AT ALGIERS. State Department Notified by American Consul at That Port.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Safe arrival at Algiers last Monday of the American steamer Communiaw, variously reported attacked by a submarine, sunk and safe, was reported to the state department today by the American consul at that port.

Efforts of Federal Mediator Proved Successful. Chicago, Dec. 16.—The strike of 600 employees of the Chicago Belt Line railway, which began last Tuesday, was settled tonight through the instrumentality of G. W. W. Hanger, of the United States commission of mediation and conciliation and the men will return to work tomorrow morning.

Autotruck Slid Backward Down Hill; Banged Trolley. Driver of Auto and Passengers Escaped Injury by Jumping.

Stratford, Conn., Dec. 16.—While climbing Rocky Nest hill, near Derby, last night, an autotruck slid backwards down the incline into a Derby-bound trolley car. The automobile and front of the car were badly smashed. The driver of the automobile and the passengers on the trolley car escaped injury by jumping. The Connecticut company is endeavoring to establish the identity of the owner of the automobile, which bore the number 8737.